

SOUTHERN KERN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES May 19, 2021

Location: Rosamond Elementary School
3082 Glendower St., Rosamond, CA

I. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order by Board President Larry Tanksley at 6:05 p.m.

1. **Comments from the public pertaining to closed session items: None**

II. Closed Session

#237→Motion by Gutierrez, second by Vincelette to go into closed session unanimous to discuss:

A. Conference with Labor Negotiator; District Negotiator: Barbara Gaines, Robert Irving
Employee Organization: California School Employee Association / Rosamond Teacher Association

B. Discussion of Student Matters: Education Code sections 35146 and 48918(c)

C. **Public Employment: Certain Personnel Matters**

Discipline/Dismissal/Employment/Release/Assignment/Reassignment/Complaint

D. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Discussion, Information. Code of Conduct policy and hostile work environment evaluation.

E. **Public Employee: Superintendent Evaluation**

#238→Motion by Vincelette, second by Moore to Reconvene into Open Session unanimous at 7:15 p.m. unanimous

III. Action determined in closed session: Board President Larry Tanksley reported: No Action.

IV. Procedural Issues-A recording of this meeting was made and shall be kept for 30 days as public record.

A. Pledge of Allegiance led by: Board Member Dewine Moore.

B. **Roll Call** - Members Present: Tanksley, Gutierrez, Bender, Moore, Vincelette. Absent: Student Gaddis

#239→C. Motion by Bender, second by Vincelette to Approve Agenda unanimous.

V. Reports and Communications

A. Recognitions: Teacher of the Year- Superintendent Barbara Gaines and the Board of Trustees recognized Genevieve Collins of WES, Keith Meyer of TMS, Jackie Stephenson of Alt. Ed., Jennifer Weinberg of RES, and Stephanie Tanksley of RHS and District Teacher of the Year.

B. Recognitions: Classified Employee of the Year- Superintendent Barbara Gaines and the Board of Trustees recognized Dena DeCaprio of RHS, Patty Galindo of RES, Reese Lizotte of Transportation Department, Marie Elaine Rigoni of TMS, and, Shawn Coleman of WES and District Classified Employee of the Year.

C. Recognitions: Retiree: Superintendent Barbara Gaines and the Board of Trustees recognized retiree Shawn Bragg for his 17 years of service, retiree Doreen Denton for her 19 years of service, Christine Mendez for her 16 years of service, and Lori Quellman for her 34 years of service.

Recess: Board President Tanksley called for a 10-minute recess at 7:50 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

D. Student Board Member: RHS-Michaela Gaddis-No report

E. RTA report: President Jim Quellman congratulated all the teachers of the year as well as the retirees and the classified employees. For Item IX A. Personnel LOA, RTA requests the Board to grant the request per discussion with Superintendent Gaines. RTA Scholarships awards for a total of \$5000 will be awarded from \$500 - \$1,500 to five students. CSEA report: President Gary Jones congratulated all the recipients of the various awards. He thanked Superintendent Barbara Gaines and CBO Robert Irving for recognition and the efforts to get the “seamless service funds” program in place.

F. CBO Report –Robert Irving welcomed the audience. He congratulated the retirees and teacher / employee of the year. Good news SKUSD received the letter from the State which confirmed the funding for the 3 kindergarten buildings. Construction is scheduled to begin June 1st. with completion by the end of the year.

G. Associate Superintendent: Leanne Hargus congratulated all the Teacher of the Year recipients, the Classified Employee of the Year recipients and the Retirees. Curriculum adoption is nearing completion with adoptions planned for June 9th.

H. Superintendent Report: Barbara Gaines welcomed everyone viewing and in attendance. The funds for the RES construction is due to be deposited by the end of the month. Thank you to Mr. Meza for his input in assisting with last minute funding documents. Parents please sign up your students for summer school. An extra Thank you to Classified staff during this week of recognition.

I. Board Member Communications: The Board of Trustees thanked everyone for attending in-person as well as the audience viewing through the live stream. They congratulated the Retirees, Teacher of the Year and Classified Employee of the Year. Teachers and support staff make a big impact on the students, thank you to all SKUSD staff and community. Thank you to Mr. Meza and support staff of RES for hosting the School Board meeting.

Comments from the Public: RHS Teacher Veronica Karr provided a statement to acknowledge teachers who volunteered to deliver Graduate signs to Rosamond, Mojave, California City, Palmdale, and Fresno. I am humbled by the generosity of Lydia Vazquez, Andrew Hansen, Vu Ton, Rong You, Kelsey Weakly, Mark Riley, Charles Wallis, Heather Burgess, Mari Cox, Noelle Parker, Rosa Solano, Jared Lewis, Paul Eizenzimmer, Andrea Jones, and Wayne Karr who drove to addresses and staked signs into yards, surprising our students, and helping to celebrate the accomplishments of the Class of 2021.

#240→VI. Motion by Gutierrez, second by Moore to approve Consent Items A-J with H removed from consent items, unanimous.

A. Approved Minutes May 19, 2021

B. Ratified Payroll May 10, 2021 MID A \$282,591.89, MID B \$44.68

C. Approved Purchase Orders # 210608 – 210625, Pay Vouchers: 210384 – 210389

D. Approved agreement with Flippen Group; Capturing Kids Hearts for professional development training

E. Approved agreement with KCSOS for Teacher Development Program Consortium (Teacher Intern)

F. Approved agreement with KCSOS for Teacher Induction Program (Prelim. Or Level I credential)

G. Approved agreement with Class Leasing for relocatable classroom lease.

~~**H.** Approve agreement with Twilight Productions; FunFlicks for equipment rental for Senior Sunset event.~~

I. Accepted donation to RHSECC Auto/Welding club of a 2002 Honda Accord-Adams

J. Accepted various ASB donations to Class of 2021-*Reiss, Sandoval, Canham, Irving, Riley, Perez*

VII. Curriculum and Instruction

A. Title I Performance Evaluation Presentations- *Leslie Lacey*/Westpark Elementary School, *Santiago Meza*/Rosamond Elementary School, and *Dr, Cynthia Bolton*/Tropico Middle School School site administration presented Title I performance results for 2020-2021 and compared progress of past years. The Title I program is a federally funded program reauthorized by the “Every Student Succeeds Act” (ESSA). The State Educational Agency (SEA) shall award grants to geographically diverse local educational agencies (LEAs). The purpose is to ensure all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach minimum proficiency.

VIII. General

A. Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant (ELO)-Superintendent Barbara Gaines presented the focus of the ELO in accordance with AB 86. The focus includes learning, student well-being and provisions for meals. Parent and staff survey data was presented. She clarified the intended method the district will use to identify and assess the students in need. Superintendent Gaines explained the grant is one-time funding money, therefore the grant plan was developed with this in mind.

#241→B. Motion by Gutierrez, second by Vincelette to adopt Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant (ELO AB 86), unanimous.

#242→C. Motion by Vincelette, second by Gutierrez to adopt Extra Curricular and Cocurricular student activities contract agreement effective upon Board approval, 4 years, 1 nay (Moore)

The student contract agreement has been developed in accordance with Ed. Code 35160.5 granting students a probationary period not to exceed one semester and a reference for students to adhere to BP 5131 Conduct.

IX. Personnel Items

#243→ A. Motion by Gutierrez, second by Moore to Approve the listed personnel items, unanimous.

<u>CLASSIFIED/CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u>					
<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Melena, Blanca	04/30/2021	---	Food Service Worker	WES	Resign

<u>CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u>		
<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Wright, Fortune	05/20/2021	Food Service Worker – Hire

<u>CERTIFICATED/ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS</u>					
<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Bragg, Shawn	06/30/2021	---	4 th Grade Teacher	WES	Resign>Retire

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CERTIFICATED/ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS

<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Liwak-Podlesny, Anya	08/10/2021	---	2 nd Grade Teacher	WES	LOA w/Conditions
Compton, Natalia	07/01/2021	S1 \$85,142	5 th Grade Teacher/Assistant Principal	WES/RES	Resign/Hire
Maddux, Britney	08/02/2021	C5/S7 \$71,593	SDC Teacher	WES	Hire
Luu, My	08/02/2021	C6/S4 \$64,691	RSP Teacher	RHS	Hire

CERTIFICATED STIPEND/EXTRA DUTY EMPLOYMENT/RESIGNATIONS

<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Roy, Alex	05/20/2021	8% \$3,786.48	Head Coach – Varsity Football	RHS	Hire
Eubanks, Rebecca	05/20/2021	8% \$3,786.48	Head Coach – Varsity Volleyball	RHS	Hire
Gonzalez, Eduardo	05/20/2021	8% \$3,786.48	Head Coach – Girls Cross Country	RHS	Hire
Cambaliza, Alicia	05/20/2021	8% \$3,786.48	Head Coach – Cheer	RHS	Hire

X. Adjournment

#244→X. Motion by Vincelette, second by Tanksley to adjourn meeting unanimous at 8:58 p.m.
unanimous

Approved: _____
Barbara Gaines, Superintendent

Approved: _____
Jim Bender, Clerk of the Board